GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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RESERVES OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of coal reserves in the country;

(b) the quantum of coal extracted from these reserves, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to extract adequate coal to bridge the gap between demand and supply of coal in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Exploration for coal is a continuous process. As per inventory of Geological Resources of coal as on 01.04.2014, prepared by Geological Survey of India, state-wise details of coal reserves are given below:-

State	Estimated Resources (Mt)
West Bengal	31318
Jharkhand	80716
Bihar	160
Madhya Pradesh	25673
Chhattisgarh	52533
Uttar Pradesh	1062
Maharashtra	10964
Orissa	75073
Andhra Pradesh	22468
Assam	515
Sikkim	101
Arunachal Pradesh	90
Meghalaya	576
Nagaland	315
Total	301564

(b): The state-wise quantum of coal extracted from the reserves of Coal India Limited (CIL), SingraniColiariesCompeney Limited (SCCL) and Captive coal mines during 2013-14 are given below:-

(in Million tonnes)

State	CIL	SCCL	Captive Mines	Total
West Bengal	20.430	-	7.81	28.24
Jharkhand	98.260	-	14.836	113.096
Madhya Pradesh	73.590	-	2.00	75.59
Chhattisgarh	110.143	-	16.952	127.095
Uttar Pradesh	14.721	-	-	14.721
Maharashtra	34.175	-	3.048	37.223
Orissa	110.439	-	2.478	112.917
Andhra Pradesh	-	50.47	-	50.47
Assam	0.664	-	-	0.664
Meghalaya	-	-	5.732	5.732

(c): Efforts have been made to enhance domestic coal production through taking up new projects in the public sector coal companies

and development of coal blocks allocated to various Companies in public and private sectors. Also, efforts have been made to expeditiously develop the available reserves in the PSU coal companies through engaging 'Mine Developer Operator' mode. Further, emphasis is laid on enhancing coal washing for improving the quality of coal being supplied to power sector. However, in view of growth in demand for coal and gap in demand and domestic supply of coal, dependence on imported coal will remain. Following steps are taken/being taken for enhancing the production to bridge the gap between demand & supply:-

In order to maintain the planned growth in production and evacuation in future, three critical rail links are being implemented to cater to the coalfields of South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Mahanadi coalfields Limited and Central Coalfields Limited.

Exploration capacity is being increased through induction of modern equipment, augmentation of manpower and through outsourcing agencies.

Projects are being formulated keeping in view the global trends & technology.

A study for "Introduction of technology & Modernization of the mines of CIL" has been conducted so as to enhance production & safety in mines by M/s KPMG & John T Boyd, who has submitted the report which in under examination.

Besides above, CIL has taken following steps to increase coal production from its existing mines:-

Mechanization and modernization are being taken up wherever feasible.

Efforts are being taken by all the subsidiaries for obtaining Environmental Clearance/ Forestry Clearance (EC/FC) within the scheduled time frame so that projects could able to start production in time.

Efforts are also being taken by the subsidiaries with state Government agencies to acquire land for identified & expansion projects.